

blame somebody else.” You’ve lived the culture of personal responsibility, of being responsible for something greater than yourself. That’s what the firefighter does. And making the sacrifice and risking your life, you’re a part of a movement, of a culture that says, “It’s important to serve something greater.”

That was best seen in Flight 93. It’s one of the moments that I’ll never forget—when brave men and women on a flight were told via telephone on the plane that America was under attack and they, themselves, had become a weapon. They said to their loved ones—they told their loved ones they loved them; they said a prayer; one guy said, “Let’s roll;” and they drove an airplane in the ground, to serve something greater than themselves in life.

Out of this evil will come incredible good in America. Out of the evil done to our country will come more peace in the world, a culture of personal responsibility, a willingness to serve something greater than ourselves in life. The enemy thought they hit a weak Nation, but instead, they hit the greatest Nation on the face of the Earth. And it is my honor to be the President of the greatest Nation.

Thank you all. May God bless you.

NOTE: The President spoke at 7:08 p.m. in the International Ballroom at the Washington Hilton Hotel. In his remarks, he referred to Hal Bruno, chairman, National Fallen Firefighters Foundation; R. David Paulison, U.S. Fire Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency; Daniel A. Nigro, chief, Fire Department of New York City; Ed Plaughner, chief, Arlington County Fire Department, Arlington, VA; and Terry Shaffer, chief, Shanksville Volunteer Fire Department, Shanksville, PA.

## **Memorandum on Foreign Assistance to Armenia, Azerbaijan, and Tajikistan**

*April 18, 2002*

Presidential Determination No. 2002–15

*Memorandum for the Secretary of State*

*Subject:* Eligibility of Armenia, Azerbaijan, and Tajikistan to Receive Defense Articles and Services under the Foreign Assistance Act and the Arms Export Control Act

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by section 503(a) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, and section 3(a)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, I hereby find that the furnishing of defense articles and services to the Governments of Armenia, Azerbaijan, and Tajikistan will strengthen the security of the United States and promote world peace.

You are hereby authorized and directed to report this determination to the Congress and to arrange for its publication in the *Federal Register*.

**George W. Bush**

NOTE: This memorandum was released by the Office of the Press Secretary on April 19.

## **Memorandum on Emergency Military Assistance to the Government of Nigeria**

*April 18, 2002*

Presidential Determination No. 2002–16

*Memorandum for the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Defense*

*Subject:* Determination to Authorize the Furnishing of Emergency Military Assistance to the Government of Nigeria

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by section 506(a)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, 22 U.S.C.